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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Response Under Rule 37 C.F.R. 1.116 in reply to the Final Office Action dated January 27, 2004 in the above-identified patent application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees listed in 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by this paper or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 08-1265.

No additional fee is required.

Yours very truly,

NIKOLAI & MERSEREAU, P.A.

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Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to a Final Official Action mailed January 27, 2004. This paper is being submitted within two months of the mailing of the Final Rejection.

Kindly enter the following amendments as they are believed to overcome certain rejections of record and place the claims in condition for allowance or in better condition for appeal: